



Hood Canal Summer Chum Recovery Symposium

Sponsored by the Hood Canal Coordinating Council

Mason County Public Works Building, 100 W., Public Works Drive, Shelton, WA June 9, 2009, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

In 2005, the Hood Canal Coordinating Council (HCCC) was designated by the Washington legislature as the "Regional Recovery Organization" for Hood Canal and Eastern Strait of Juan de Fuca Summer Chum. The HCCC is also the designated "Lead Entity" for the Hood Canal watershed. This dual responsibility provides the HCCC with the resources to help coordinate the entities involved with implementing the recovery plan and foster the implementation of habitat actions.

The HCCC completed the Summer Chum Recovery Plan in November 2005. This was submitted and adopted by the State of Washington in April 2006 and adopted by NOAA Fisheries in May 2007. The purpose of this symposium is to evaluate progress toward the recovery of summer chum in Hood Canal and the Eastern Strait of Juan de Fuca, consider how this progress is measured, and determine what is needed to support and achieve recovery.

Agenda

8:00 a.m.	Continental Breakfast
9:00 a.m.	Welcome (Phil Johnson, Jefferson County Commissioner/HCCC Chair)
9:10 a.m.	Opening Session (Scott Brewer, Hood Canal Coordinating Council)
	Part A: Meeting Purpose and Agenda
	Part B: Context and Background Geographic focus: populations and watersheds Context: 20 years of work on summer chum recovery
9:30 a.m.	Session 1: Summer Chum Populations Past, Present, and Future Purpose: Update participants about the status of salmon populations and recovery goals.
	Part A: Summer Chum Populations Then and Now (Chris Weller, Point No Point Treaty Council and Thom Johnson, Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife)
	Part B: Recovery Goals & Monitoring: Co-manager Goals and Viability Analysis (Ken Currens, Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission)
	Part C: NOAA Fisheries Supplement to the Recovery Plan & Delisting Criteria (Tim Tynan, NOAA Fisheries)
10:30 a.m.	Break
10:45 a.m.	Session 2: The Three H's in Hood Canal: Harvest, Hatcheries, Habitat Purpose: Provide a status report on recovery plan implementation for each "H", how implementation actions relate to recovery goals, what remains to be done and how objectives of each "H" tie into viability.
	Part A: Implementation & Monitoring of Harvest Actions (Thom Johnson, WDFW and Chris Weller, PNPTC)
	Part B: Implementation & Monitoring of Hatchery Supplementation/ Reintroduction Actions (Thom Johnson, WDFW and Chris Weller, PNPTC)
	Part C: Implementation & Monitoring of Habitat Actions (Richard Brocksmith, HCCC)

12:00 p.m.	Lunch: Keynote Speaker, Nate Mantua (UW Climate Impacts Group) Boxed lunches will be provided
12:45 p.m.	Session 3: H Integration Purpose: Provide overview of H integration concept and how implementation of this is working for the eight target stocks.
	Part A: Overview of H Integration (Ken Currens, NWIFC) • Are all the actions moving in the same direction? • Are actions happening in the right place, at the right time, in the right order?
	Part B: H Integration for Example Target Stocks in Hood Canal (Tim Tynan, NOAA Fisheries)
1:40 p.m.	Session 4: Small Group Discussion: Moving Recovery Forward Purpose: Opportunity for those involved in recovery efforts to provide input on needs and considerations for the adaptive management plan.
	 How does recovery plan implementation affect you personally or professionally? What questions do you have about recovery implementation? What do you need to participate in implementation (information, partnering, funding)? What support do counties and other land use authorities need for habitat implementation? Other questions?
2:30 p.m.	Break
2:45 p.m.	Session 5: Adaptive Management and Next Steps Purpose: Provide overview of approach for development of an adaptive management plan for summer chum recovery implementation; generate discussion about what adaptive management will need to address. Part A: Preparation of an Adaptive Management Plan (Scott Brewer, HCCC) • What are we trying to achieve? • How will we know we are making progress? • How will we get the information we need? • How will we use the information in decision-making?
	 Questions? Part B: Questions to Address for Management of Recovery Plan Implementation (Panel discussion moderated by Scott Brewer, HCCC) Questions for the panel: How will NOAA's Viable Salmonid Populations (VSP) and listing factors (threats & population) be addressed? How do habitat objectives tie to viability – add greater detail on how specific activities add up to goals. How are external threats being addressed? What needs to be monitored? Climate change Population growth – how and where matters Pressure for harvest Existing limiting factors How do we know how much work is enough? How will implementation & recovery proceed with limited funds? Other questions from the audience including questions raised during small groups.
3:55 p.m.	Wrap Up

